



**San Diego County
Fish & Wildlife Advisory Commission**

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DRAFT MINUTES

May 10, 2005

Meeting Location: California Department of Fish and Game
4949 Viewridge Avenue
San Diego, CA 92123

COMMISSIONERS	DISTRICT
Jack Bransford, Chair	1
Paul Kelpin	1
Florence Sloane	2
Ben Tulloch, Secretary	2
Rob Wilder	3
Teresa Barth	3
D'erdra Smothers, Ph.D, Vice-Chair	4
Jim Dodd	4
Mike Pottorff (Absent)	5
Jim Conrad	5

- A. Meeting called to order at: 6:30 p.m.**
- B. Introductions:**
None.
- C. Minutes for February 10, 2005** were approved without corrections. Moved (Smothers), seconded (Conrad), eight approved and one abstention (Tulloch).
- D. Public Comment**
None.
- E. Chairman's Report –**
Passed out Forest Plan update requests.
- F. Administrative Items:**

Old Business

1. **Commission Video Project - (Pottorff/Conrad)**
Commissioner Pottorff is working to convert VHS videos to DVD.
2. **San Diego Freshwater Fish Project (Pottorff)**
No Update
3. **Monthly Meeting with CDFG (Sloane)**
Larry Eng is new DFG South Coast Regional Manager. Fish & Game Code books were given to all Commissioners. Commissioner Sloane reported: 1) how land is acquired by the Wildlife Conservation Board, 2) the Cuyamaca Rancho State Park turkey population is not a problem, 3) how fines are collected and distributed by county, 4) that Hollenbeck-is Canyon Wildlife Area will be open for rabbit hunting starting July 1, 2005 (excluding certain areas with nesting gnatcatchers), 5) that the San Felipe Valley Wildlife Area will be is closed to all access until 9/1/05 for deer fawning, and 6) Hollenbeck Canyon Wildlife Area planting to be done in December.
4. **2005 Fish and Game Commissioners Conference (Bransford)**
Commissioner Sloane will attend and report back to commissioners. This item is to be retained on the agenda for the next scheduled meeting.
5. **Business Cards for Commissioners (Sloane)**
No feedback from Dawn Nielsen yet. Commissioner Sloan to follow up. A regarding a request for credentials (badge) and business cards with personal contact information. Motion made to request credentials (badges) and business cards with personal contact information. Motion made by Conrad, seconded by Smothers; approved 9 – 0.
6. **Mitigation of Border Fence Impacts (Sloane)**
Commissioner Sloane reported that there is no new information.
7. **Handling of fines/forfeiture monies for Fish and Game (Sloane)**
Commissioner Sloane reported she is still doing research collecting information on citations, court info, case law in other cases, what has been prosecuted in county. She will report at next meeting.

New Business:

1. **Giant Sea Bass (Wilder)**
Will draft letter expressing concern about this case and how it will be prosecuted. Bransford to check with staff (Dawn) on routing letter to proper authority. Motion made to draft and send letter. Motion made by Dodd, seconded by Barth; approved 9 – 0.
2. **Grant Applications Due June 1, 2005 (Bransford)**
Dawn has received two grants so far!. Vandalism repair at Hollenbeck and well repair.
3. **Grant Update (Bransford)**

Distributed information regarding West Nile Virus. Motion made to have Commissioner Dodd bring revised evaluation sheet to next meeting. Motion made by Sloane, seconded by Conrad; approved 9 – 0.

G. Commissioner's Corner

Commissioner Smothers reported on attendance to “Day at the Docks”.

Commissioner Bransford reported on East County MSCP.

Commissioner Tulloch reported that his term has expired and will not be renewing his appointment.

Commissioner Barth reported on LNG (Liquefied Natural Gas) Terminal in Baja and the effects on wildlife.

Commissioner Conrad spoke to Dee Sudduth of DFG Region 6 on Santa Rosa Plateau, presented excerpts of “Hold Their Feet to the Fire” trip to Washington D.C., and reported on LNG Terminal and the potential effects on wildlife vs. threat to humans in the event of disaster.

Commissioner Dodd took a tour of new U.S. Fish and Wildlife property south and east of Sweetwater Reservoir.

H. Adjournment Time: 8:20 pm